



State Senator

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VALDE GARCIA

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Legislative Update

The following bills were introduced this week. Should you wish to learn more about the proposed legislation, please visit www.michiganlegislature.org and enter the bill number where indicated. The web-site will provide you with the bill's language as introduced and an analysis describing how the bill will affect area industry, the economy and consumers.

Senator Garcia is eager to learn how you feel about proposed legislation. He welcomes your responses via e-mail at senvgarcia@senate.michigan.gov.

BREAKING NEWS FROM SENATOR GARCIA'S OFFICE

***A Legislative Bulletin for
Residents of the
22nd District***

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| SB 882 | CHILD SAFETY SEAT (Hammerstrom) Requires child restraint safety seat to be in rear seat if vehicle has rear seat and removes nursing child exemption from Michigan vehicle code. |
| SB 883 | DE VUYST HIGHWAY (Patterson) Establishes portion of highway US-127 that begins 1/4 of a mile before the M-57 interchange and ends 1/4 of a mile after the M-57 interchange as the Larry and Joanne DeVuyst highway and interchange. |
| SB 884 | INSURANCE CREDIT SCORING (Cropsey) Regulates the practice of insurance credit scoring. |
| SB 885 | ISD EVALUATION TOOLS (Brown) Eliminates evaluation tool requirements for intermediate school district preschool grants. |
| SB 886 | TRUCK DRIVER INSTRUCTORS (Thomas) Allows temporary licensing of truck driver training instructors. |
| SB 887 | CHILD SUPPORT JUDGMENTS (Hammerstrom) Creates method for reducing child support arrearage to judgments as a lien against the net proceeds of an insurance policy or contract. |
| SB 888 | CHILD SUPPORT JUDGMENTS (VanWoerkom) Creates method for reducing child support arrearage to judgments as a lien against the net proceeds of an inheritance. |
| SB 889 | CHILD SUPPORT JUDGMENTS (Stamas) Creates method for reducing child support arrearage to judgments as a lien against the net proceeds of a redemption, pay settlement or advance payment negotiated before or after the filing of a worker's disability compensation claim. |

- SB 890 CHILD SUPPORT JUDGMENTS (Patterson)**
Creates method for reducing child support arrearage to judgments as a lien against the net proceeds of a lawsuit, civil judgment or arbitration award.
- SB 891 CONCEALED WEAPONS APPLICATIONS (McManus)**
Establishes processing, approval and maintenance of concealed weapons permit applications as responsibility of the secretary of state.
- SB 892 PERSONAL PROTECTION ORDER (Patterson)**
Requires notification to secretary of state of issuance of personal protection order for concealed weapons.
- SB 893 RENAISSANCE ZONE EXPANSION (Brown)**
Allows expansion of renaissance zones to counties within the state that border Canada.
- SB 894 HEALTH CARE OBJECTION (Stamas)**
Allows conscientious objection by health facilities to provide or participate in health care services involving research with substance or procedure intended to affect to physical or mental condition of the patient if ethical, moral or religious principles reflected in facility are violated.
- SB 895 HEALTH CARE OBJECTION (Hardiman)**
Allows conscientious refusal by Blue Cross/Blue Shield to offer or provide health care benefits that violate an ethical, moral or religious principle reflected in its bylaws or mission statement.
- SB 896 HEALTH CARE OBJECTION (Hardiman)**
Allows conscientious refusal by health insurance company to offer or provide health care benefits that violate an ethical, moral or religious principle reflected in its bylaws or mission statement.
- SB 897 SODA SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Bernero)**
Repeals state sales tax exemption on nonalcoholic, carbonated and sugared beverages.
- SB 898 BILLBOARD ADVISORY COUNCIL (Birkholz)**
Creates a billboard advisory council.
- SB 899 BILLBOARD PERMIT RENEWAL (Schauer)**
Increases billboard permit renewal fee to \$50 from \$25 for signs less than 300 feet and \$100 from \$40 for signs larger than 300 feet.
- SB 900 AGRICULTURE BUSINESS LOGO (George)**
Expands logo program to promote businesses related to agriculture or tourism.
- SB 901 BILLBOARD MORATORIUM (George)**
Creates moratorium on issuance of billboard permits.
- SR 201 USA PATRIOT ACT AMENDMENT (Clark)**
Urges Congress to amend the USA Patriot Act to ensure national security without eroding civil liberties.
- SR 202 STATE FLAG PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Kuipers)**
Amends the Standing Rules of the Senate to add the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Michigan.
- SR 203 MERCURY EMISSIONS PROPOSAL (Brater)**
Urges the Environmental Protection Agency to reconsider and reverse its proposal to ease restrictions on mercury emissions.

Committee Meetings

- Scheduled meetings are subject to change. Please contact the committee clerk to verify agenda and date.

HOUSE

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| House Committee | Appropriations |
| Clerk Phone Number | 517-373-1260 |
| Location | House Appropriations Committee Room, 3rd Floor, State Capitol Building |
| Date | Thursday, 12/18/2003 |
| Time | 9:30 AM |

Agenda

[HCR 38](#) Shackleton A concurrent resolution approving the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and approving a lease among the State of Michigan, the State Building Authority, and the Board of Control of Northern Michigan University relative to the Northern Michigan University Student Services Building.

[HCR 39](#) Shackleton A concurrent resolution approving the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and approving a lease among the State of Michigan, the State Building Authority, and the Board of Control of Northern Michigan University relative to the Northern Michigan University Fine and Practical Arts Project.

[HCR 40](#) Shackleton A concurrent resolution approving the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and approving a lease among the State of Michigan, the State Building Authority, and Mid Michigan Community College relative to the Mid Michigan Community College Student Assessment Center.

[HCR 41](#) Shackleton A concurrent resolution approving the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and approving a lease among the State of Michigan, the State Building Authority, and Michigan Technological University relative to the Michigan Technological University Center for Integrated Learning and Information Technology Project.

[HCR 42](#) Shackleton A concurrent resolution approving the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and approving a lease among the State of Michigan, the State Building Authority, and the Community College District of Monroe County relative to the Community College District of Monroe County Instructional Center for Business Training and Performing Arts Building.

[HCR 43](#) Shackleton A concurrent resolution approving an amendment to the conveyance of property to the State Building Authority and the lease among the State of Michigan, the State Building Authority, and Jackson Community College relative to the Jackson Community College Lenawee Extension Center.

Chair

Representative Marc Shulman

House Committee
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Appropriations: Fiscal Oversight, Audit and Litigation
517-373-8080
House Appropriations Committee Room, 3rd Floor, State Capitol Building
Wednesday, 12/17/2003
9:00 AM
Information Technology/Personal Service Contracts
Representative Marc Shulman

House Committee
Clerk Phone Number
Location
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Local Government and Urban Policy
517-373-2013
307 House Office Building, Lansing, MI
Tuesday, 12/16/2003
9:00 AM
Manufactured Housing
Representative Chris Ward

SENATE

Senate Committee
Clerk Phone Number
Location
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Commerce & Labor
373-2441
Room 810, Farnum Building
Tuesday, 12/16/2003
2:00 PM
[HB 5246](#), [HB 5247](#), [HB 5254](#), [HB 5255](#), [HB 5322](#)
Senator Jason Allen

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| Senate Committee | Family Resource Center Curriculum Joint Study |
| Clerk Phone Number | 373-6960 |
| Location | Senate Appropriations Room, 3rd Floor, Capitol Building |
| Date | Wednesday, 12/17/2003 |
| Time | 4:00 PM |
| Agenda | Committee member discussion of visions, goals and suggested models of delivery. |
| | No Public Testimony Will be Taken |
| Chair | Senator Ron Jelinek |

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| Senate Committee | Natural Resources & Environmental Affairs |
| Clerk Phone Number | 373-1854 |
| Location | Room 110, Farnum Building |
| Date | Tuesday, 12/16/2003 |
| Time | 3:00 PM |
| Agenda | <u>SB 721</u> , <u>SB 790</u> , <u>SB 859</u> |
| Chair | Senator Patricia L Birkholz |